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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD

SUBJECT: NEW ZEALAND'S POSITION ON THE NFDM PROBLEM

REF: EC BRUSSELS 1655 (NOTAL)

REFTEL REPORTS GNZ IS "PRESENTLY DRAFTING A POSITION  
FAVORING SUPPORT OF THE EC COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL FOR  
ELIMINATING 600,000 TONS OF SURPLUS NFDM." USG IS  
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STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THIS PROPOSAL, AND HAS SO INFORMED

EC COMMISSION. PROPOSAL IS AN UNAMBIGUOUSLY ILLEGAL  
MIXING REGULATION DIRECTLY CONTRARY TO GATT ARTICLE III,  
AND THREATENS TO REDUCE US SOYBEAN EXPORTS TO EC MARKETS  
IN DEROGATION OF GATT BINDING. WHILE WE FULLY  
UNDERSTAND NEW ZEALAND'S SENSE OF RELIEF THAT EC DOES NOT  
INTEND TO FLOOD WORLD MARKET WITH ITS HUGE NFDM SURPLUS,  
WE SEE NO REASON FOR NEW ZEALAND TO TAKE ANY PUBLIC  
POSITION ON THE MATTER. FURTHERMORE, WE WOULD BE  
DISTRESSED TO SEE GNZ TAKE A POSITION IN SUPPORT  
OF AN ACTION WHICH IS CONTRARY TO SPIRT AND LETTER OF  
THE GATT AND FOR WHICH WE WOULD SEEK REDRESS UNDER GATT.  
ACTION ADDRESSEES SHOULD EXPRESS THESE VIEWS TO APPROPRIATE  
OFFICIALS OF GNZ. KISSINGER

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